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IN RE PCT NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION OF      Art Unit: 1623  
Hohneker, John Arthur et al.      Examiner: Lewis, Patrick T  
U.S. APPLICATION NO: 10/501207  
35 USC §371 DATE: September 22, 2005  
FOR: Combinations Comprising Epothilones and Anti-metabolites

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

APPEAL BRIEF  
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The period for filing a Brief on Appeal has a shortened statutory time set to expire on June 16, 2009. A two-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$490 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

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